Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) has issued a Show Cause for winding up Indian Iron and Steel Company (IISCO).

(b) and (c) SAIL/IISCO has submitted a revival proposal for IISCO to Government for Rs.1081 crores which includes funds for Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) and investment at Burnpur Works and its mines and collieries besides provisions for meeting its cash losses. No decision has yet been taken in the matter.

Debarring India from World Lifting Meet

743. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news article which appeared in Times of India dated the 30th October, 2001 under the heading, 'India may be debarred from World Lifting Meet' and

(b) if so, Government's response thereto and what steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI P. RADHAKIRISHNAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The issue has been taken up at appropriate level, the Indian Weightlifting team has participated in World Weightlifting Championship held in Turkey from November 3, 2001.

Recipients of Arjuna Awards

744. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) how many Arjuna Awards have been conferred during the last three years;

(b) what are the criteria for selecting awardees; and

(c) the details regarding the names of the recipients of the award during these three years and the field in which they have received the award?